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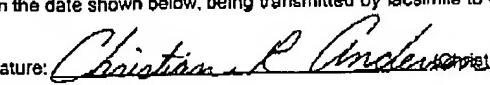
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Applicant(s): Albert L. Schmidt, Jr. et al.				
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AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.116

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated February 13, 2006 (hereinafter "the Office Action"), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the claims for allowance in light of the amendments and the remarks provided below:

A Complete Listing of the Claims begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 4.